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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Masakuni EZUMI, et al.
Application No.: 10/054,852
Filed: January 25, 2002
For: FRICTION STIR WELDING METHOD AND HOLLOW
SHAPE MEMBER FOR FRICTION STIR WELDING
Art Unit: 1725
Examiner: L. R. Edmondson

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner For Patents
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September 2, 2003
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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within a one-month time period subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed April 30, 2003. A credit card payment form in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (648.41111X00) and any excess fees credited to that account.

Respectfully submitted,

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